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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Richard C. Slater  
Serial No.: 10/622,403  
Title: COHERENT BEAM COMBINATION  
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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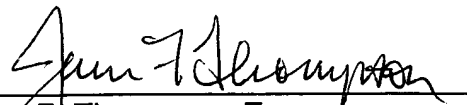
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 9, 2006, please amend the above-identified Application as follows: